

Santa Rosa County Building Inspection Department



INFORMER

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ATTENTION

WANTED: The Building Officials Association of Florida meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at Cowboys Restaurant, in Navarre. Dinner at 6:00pm with the meeting starting at 7:00pm. All participants will receive 1 hour of continuing education.

EMERGENCY EGRESS WINDOWS: All egress or rescue windows from sleeping rooms must have a net clear opening of 5.7 sq. ft. The minimum net clear opening height shall be 24" and the minimum net clear opening width shall be 20". Exception: grade floor windows may have a minimum net clear opening of 5 sq.ft. (Ref: SBC, 1997 ed.)

Architect/Inspector/Contractor Continuing Education: The Northwest Florida Chapter of the Building Officials Association of Florida *in conjunction with S.B.C.C.I.* will be offering two courses in July. The first class (Means of Egress) will be held on July 7th and the second class (Standard Building Code Chapters 3, 4, 5, & 6) will be held on July 8th. Both classes offer 7 hours of CEU's. BOAF members attend at no charge. All others the charge is \$25.00 per class. Please contact Tim Tolbert at (850) 623-1066 ext. 213 for registration and class location information.

SWIMMING POOLS: The pool contractor is responsible for ALL requirements of the pool code, which includes the installation of the barrier and/or alarm system, as well as insuring that they are inspected and finalized. All pools require a barrier of no less than four feet in height. If the residence is to be a part of this barrier then an alarm system must be installed on all doors leading from the residence to the pool area. All pools must pass a final inspection. If a house is under construction and a pool is installed at the same time, then a Certificate of Occupancy will not be issued until all permits have been inspected and passed, including the pool, barrier and alarm system.

As of April 20, 1999, the **1997 version of WIND DESIGN® by EDA Software** was approved by the State of Florida for use as an alternative method for compliance with section 1606 of the 1997 Standard Building Code.

In the near future, we will be changing the **"VIOLATION"** stickers that we use whenever an inspection is turned down. The new sticker will read **"Notice of Corrections and Additions"**. This sticker will be left with a written list of corrections. At the framing stage, the notice of correction will be left in the heater closet.